

# MORNING APPEAL.

SUNDAY.....AUGUST 26

FOR PRESIDENT.

BENJAMIN HARRISON

OF INDIANA.

FOR VICE PRESIDENT.

LEVI P. MORTON

OF NEW YORK.

## A BLESSING IN DISGUISE.

The terrible season of drouth which now effects this State is the severest that has ever visited Nevada ever since its first settlement by the whites.

From all points of the State come the same reports.

The valley streams have been sucked up by the heat of the sun, which now, instead of gleaming on cool pools and dancing cascades, beats down on the dry, brown rocks of the river bed.

The rills which babbled down the sides of the mountains are silent, the green meadows have turned into an expanse of shriveled yellow and the cattle drag their gaunt bodies from place to place in search of food and drink, and when they find mud holes here and there, spend their last strength fighting for a chance to lap the stagnant alkali water.

The APPEAL hopes that the howlings of these poor beasts will reach the ears of the short-sighted members of the last Legislature, who fought the irrigation, artesian well and water appropriation bills at the last session.

The APPEAL in one sense is glad that this is a particularly dry season, that cattle are perishing of hunger and thirst, and that farmers are seeing the terrible effects of a Summer drouth on their crops.

It will bring the folly of the past home to them in a practical way, and they will insist this year that men be sent to the Legislature who will be pledged on these questions before they are placed on the ticket.

The State should see that the water laws are so revised that there will be an inducement to men of enterprise and capital to invest in water storage schemes.

Under the existing laws in this State there is no protection to a man who spends money in water storage, provided he wants to utilize a natural channel or ravine that some hog has taken up to the exclusion of all his neighbors.

The APPEAL would like to see an experimental artesian well at least 1000 feet deep, and 2000 if necessary, sunk in every county in this State at the State's expense.

The APPEAL would like to see dams constructed in this State for the storage of water, that the wealth which is wantonly allowed to run to waste every Winter may benefit our agriculture in seasons like the present.

But we are convinced that nothing but an extraordinary emergency will ever wake the people from their lethargy, and so we hope that the drouth will continue far into the Fall and that everybody in the State will get a good dose of it, and that when the Legislature meets next Winter the loss will be fresh in their minds.

Let Storey county take the lesson to itself.

The men they send down to Legislate on the water question seem never to have had enough sense to know that it is the lack of storage reservoirs in the Carson river that has stopped the mills running and thrown 800 Comstock miners out of employment.

We hope the Comstock miners this year will ascertain if their Legislative nominees propose to do anything in this matter this Winter before they cast a vote for them.

## THE CHINESE QUESTION.

The people of California have struck a new way to settle the Chinese question. Instead of holding anti-Chinese meetings every Saturday night for the benefit of aspiring politicians, the Chinese are quietly being pressed out of the fruit picking field by boys who are being furnish-

ed by the thousands. The plan is a practical one and works admirably. It works because there is no politics in it, and only one department of labor is being tackled at a time. When the fruit orchards are entirely cleaned out of Chinamen it will be time to tackle something else and this plan, together with the Congressional Legislation now in progress, will soon settle the Chinese question in a sensible, practical manner.

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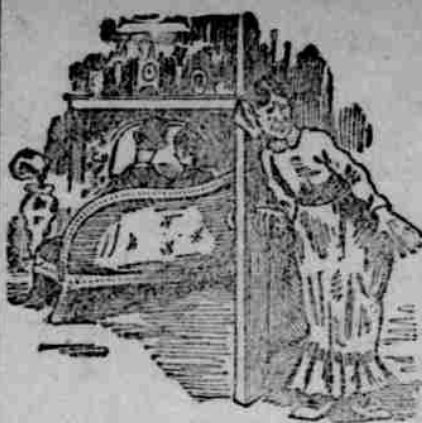
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